## Remarks for the Investiture of Judge George Carlson December 2, 2001

On October 29, I had the pleasure of announcing my appointment of Judge George Carlson to the Mississippi Supreme Court.

Today, I'm proud to be here for this ceremony to formally welcome him to the court.

As Governor, I have a responsibility to the people of Mississippi to make sure justice is served, and served well. I am confident I have met my responsibility with the appointment of Judge Carlson.

Let me say, I have personal experience in arguing cases before Judge Carlson, and it is good experience. I am proud to have been in his court, and I know the people will be proud to have him in the Supreme Court.

He brings experience, knowledge and wisdom to the bench. These qualities are not come by easily or quickly.

They are gained over the years, dealing with the issues of law and justice. He has earned these qualities and they will be reflected in his decisions on the court.

Congratulations, Justice Carlson, and thank you for your service to the State of Mississippi.